

Selectmen's Meeting
Room 34, Town Hall

August 23, 2022
Meeting is Recorded

Under Governor Baker's emergency "Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law G.L. C. 30A, Section 20", issued March 12, 2020 and in effect until termination of the State of Emergency: This meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be conducted hybrid model with Board meeting in person in the Selectmen's Chambers in Town Hall, and all other participants joining remotely. The open Meeting will be called to order by the Chairman at 6:30 P.M. Please see meeting information below:

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In Attendance: Chairman William Plasko, Vice Chairman Helen Abdallah-Donohue, Selectman Amanda Grow, Selectman Matt Lane, General Manager Tony Mazucco, Executive Assistant Jess Jozwik
Attending remotely via GoToMeeting: Selectman Robert Donnelly

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer or reflection.

Selectman Grow submitted notification of reviewed and approved Warrant Reports that they signed. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to file this information.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted 3-0 by roll call to accept the meeting minutes for August 9, 2022. Selectmen Lane and Donnelly abstained.

The Board was joined by Doug Zeghibe of the Skating Club of Boston and Ian Moorhouse of the Norwood Nuggets to present the addendum to the Skating Club of Boston's Payment in Lieu of Taxes agreement with the Town of Norwood, which now will include reduced rate ice time for the Norwood Nuggets. After the presentation, on motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve and accept the addendum as submitted.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve request for the Norwood 150th Committee to use the Town Common and Central street for a Halloween event on October 23, 2022, from 3:00pm until 6:30pm for events including games, crafts, contests, food vendors and live and recorded music. 500 guests are expected. Selectman Donohue clarified that they are requesting the Common from 10:00am until 8:00pm to include time for setup and clean up. If anyone wishes to volunteer for this event, please contact the 150th Committee or Assistant Town Manager Michael Rosen.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve request to host a birthday party on Saturday, September 24, 2022, from 12:00pm until 4:00pm, including non-exclusive use of the play structure. They will have food and intend to rent a bouncy house for the event. The Board included the condition that the applicant must provide additional insurance certificate for the bouncy house.

On motion of Selectman Grow, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve the date change for the DAV Park and Berwick Street Closure, with the Manager's office reaching out to work with the church and the neighbors. The street will only be closed directly between the church and the park, so that neighbors can easily get in and out without needing to move cones or compromise safety. Feedback received from neighbors will be addressed. Requests as submitted were to use the Disabled American Veterans Park on Chapel and Berwick Streets on September 11, 2022, from 8:30am until 12:30pm for an event with 150-175 guests expected. There will be food and some music from 10:30am until 12:30pm. To use the Disabled American Veterans Park on Chapel and Berwick Streets on September 11, 2022, from 5:00pm until 8:30pm for their fall youth kickoff event, and to close Berwick Street for both of these events.

Representatives from the Norwood Light Department joined the Board in person, and Attorney Bill August joined the Board remotely for the Cable Television License Renewal Public Hearing, to review and approve the new contract.

Information was given about how the new contract reflects changes in the business. The Light Department voiced their support, and there was no additional public comment. Upon motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Donohue, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to close the Hearing. On motion of Selectman Grow, Finding that the cable franchise renewal proposal of Norwood Light Department reasonably meets the franchise and cable-related renewal needs and interests of the public and Town of Norwood; and finding that Norwood Light Department's financial and technical qualifications and local programming services are reasonable to meet Town cable franchise needs; Selectman Grow moved that the Board of Selectmen, as cable license Issuing Authority for the Town, vote to accept and approve the Renewal License agreement with Norwood Light Department, and execute the renewal license, which License shall be effective [September 23, 2022](#)., this was seconded by Selectman Donohue, and the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve and sign.

On motion of Selectman Grow, seconded by Selectman Donohue, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to sign the Water Bond as submitted by Treasurer Alex Haggerty.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve the change to the Car Wash policy submitted by Conservation Planner Holly Jones, to add the requirement to use phosphorous free, more environmentally friendly soaps for the car wash. This will go into effect January 1, 2023.

On motion of Selectman Grow, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve the setting of the final date for submission of warrant articles as October 3, 2022, and the date for the Board to sign the warrant as October 18, 2022 for the November 14, 2022 Special Town Meeting.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to refer correspondence from Mary McGrath to the Manager's office.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Traffic Safety Committee recommendation for a yellow center line to be painted at the curve of Rock Court and Andrews Street and a "Slow- children at play" sign be placed at the beginning of Rock Court.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously, with thanks, by roll call to approve the Traffic Safety Committee recommendation that a "30mph" sign be posted on both sides of Dean Street between Pleasant and Washington Streets.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Traffic Safety Committee recommendation for parking during school events, to put up a-frame signs that read "Parking on right side only. Do not block driveways" in the area of Cushing Road, Elliot Street, Belmont Street and Bellevue Avenue.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to approve the Traffic Safety Committee recommendation to post a sign on either side of the Post Office on Guild Street, stating "Slow Down for Pedestrian Traffic".

Although no action was needed by the Board, Selectman Lane, on behalf of the Middle School Building Committee reviewed the process for hiring the Construction Manager At Risk and informed the Board WT Rich had been selected.

The Board reviewed Compliance Guidelines for Multi-Family Zoning Districts sent out by the MBTA. Chairman Plasko thinks this is a negative for communities. Selectman Lane and the subcommittee working on this will come before the Board at an upcoming meeting. On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to file.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to file the following memoranda:

1. Verizon
Submitting PEG Grant 2ed quarter information.
2. Comcast
Submitting Franchise Fee payment
3. Norwood Hospital, Linden and Winter St. Release Deed
Submitting notification that it has been registered by the Norfolk Registry of Deeds
4. Norwood Fire Department
Submitting letter of commendation.
5. Norwood Police Department
 - a) Submitting letter of commendation
 - b) Submitting monthly activity report for July, 2022
6. Norfolk County Advisory Board
Submitting notification of county tax, submitted to the Assessor
7. GeoInsight
Submitting notification of intent to construct an above ground storage tank at 140 Morgan Drive
8. Planning Board
Submitting notice of Site Plan Review Meeting.

Chairman Plasko thanked the Norwood ambulance for their help with a recent issue.

General Manager Tony Mazzucco reminded the Board and public about the Mill Pond Dam ribbon cutting in Pezwick Park on September 29, 2022, at 5:30pm.

Selectman Donnelly reminded the public that the final summer concerts on the common are coming to a close.

Selectman Donohue spoke about the August 13th production of Our Town, saying everyone involved did a wonderful job, including former Selectman Thomas Maloney. She also announced the Reverend Leonard Warner had passed away.

Selectman Grow spoke about the work of the Town Meeting Size Study committee, and also thanked the Fire Department for their organized, efficient work at the Central Street Fire.

Selectman Lane thanked the Recreation Department for their hard work on their summer programs. He reminded everyone the state primaries are coming up on September 3, 2022, and that Norwood Day would be September 10, 2022.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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ATTEST: _____
Assistant